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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR)
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TRACKING, AND DELIVERY)

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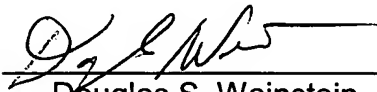
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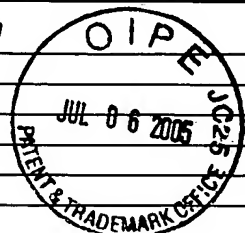
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